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1. The Ministry of National Defense is conducting a recruiting campaign to enlist reserve members for the Army medical service. Young people of both sexes are being sought. Volunteers are sent to special courses lasting from three to six months. The instructors are army officers. Students in the courses wear a distinctive army uniform, are billeted in army establishments and are trained separately, according to whether they are to serve with the Infantry, the Air Force or with armored units. They are also being trained in the use of infantry weapons.
2. From 19 to 24 January 1953, the Svazarm organization conducted a vigorous campaign in the Jan Sverma plant of Zbrojovka (Armament Works) Brno to obtain volunteers for parachutist training. Although the plant employs several thousand workers, not a single volunteer was forthcoming.
3. An Army Technical School for Air Force Mechanics (Vojenska odborná škola pro letecké mechaniky) is located in Liberec. The only three civilians still employed there have been dismissed and drafted into the Rudy Letov plant of Avia in Prague-Letnany.

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